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INFO CINCPACREP GUAM MARIANAS ISLANDS

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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF VIETNAMESE REPATRIATES

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1. THIS EMBASSY WILL PROBABLY LEARN EVENTUALLY (MOST LIKELY THROUGH UNHCR) WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE THREE FORMER ARVN OFFICERS WHO DEPARTED GUAM AUG 7 AND OF ANY OTHERS (REFTEL) WHO MAY FOLLOW. WE HAVE NO RPT NO ASSURED MEANS OF FINDING OUT, HOWEVER, AND WOULD NOT RPT NOT FOR EXAMPLE WISH TO ASK NORTH VIETNAMESE EMBASSY BECAUSE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WE MIGHT COMPROMISE THE WOULD-BE REPATRIATES IN EYES OF DRV/PRG.

2. ACCORDINGLY, RECOMMEND THAT CONSIDERATION OF TRAVEL ASSISTANCE TO ANY ADDITIONAL REPATRIATES NOT RPT NOT BE MADE CONTINGENT ON REPORTS FROM THIS EMBASSY OF THEIR DISPOSITION, CONTRARY TO SUGGESTION CONTAINED PARA 6 REFTEL.

3. NOT RPT NOT CLEAR FROM REFTEL WHETHER VISAS ISSUED BY LAO EMBASSY AT WASHINGTON TO ADDITIONAL 21 VIETNAMESE WERE STAMPED IN THEIR NOW-INVALID GVN PASSPORTS. IF THIS WERE THE CASE, IT MIGHT RPT MIGHT LEAD TO PROBLEMS
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WITH LAO IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES. SUGGEST CONSIDERATION

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BE GIVEN TO ARRANGING FOR "SLIP-SHEET" VISAS OR ISSUANCE
OF VISAS ON EMERGENCY INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL DOCUMENTS
SUCH AS THOSE GRANTED BY ICRC, SO AS TO REDUCE LIKELI-
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